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### TOPICS OF THE DAY.

#### News from Everywhere.

MINISTER LOWELL was elected Rector of St. Andrews' University, Eng., on the 23d.

The newly organized Peruvian Government has had a ministerial crisis already.

CHINA has informed France that an attack on Bac Ninh will be considered *cassus belli*.

ISMAIL PASHA, ex-Khedive of Egypt, says the calamity in the Sudan is due to inefficiency of the central government at Cairo.

The British superintendent of the Nicobar Islands was shot dead by a Sepoy officer recently, who immediately committed suicide.

CHINA has sent a circular letter to the powers setting forth that if the French invade Northern Annam they will be opposed by Chinese troops.

QUEEN VICTORIA returned to Windsor Castle on the 20th. Extraordinary precautions were taken to guard the train and line of the railroad.

THE Prussian system of government railways is making money. A bill providing for further purchase of roads is to be brought forward.

THE Pope has made editor Dawson, of the Charleston (S. C.) *News and Courier*, a Knight of St. George for the stand he has taken against dueling.

REPORTS of flood damages continue to come in from all quarters. The Wabash Valley is inundated and small streams everywhere are swollen to rivers.

CURIO VAN TROTHA, who lately sued the Long Island Railroad Company for \$50,000 damages for injuries received, was awarded \$7,500 by the Court on the 21st.

GEORGE D. BAUR, of Portsmouth, O., a clerk in the railway mail service between Columbus, O., and Ashland, Ky., was arrested on the 21st charged with rifling letters.

AN ex-Deputy Sheriff and a night watchman who were caught in the act of setting fire to a store in Manistee, Mich., declare that they were hired by the owner to do it.

PORTIONS of the cargo of the steamer Manistee have been found on the shore of Isle Royale, Lake Superior, and little doubt is now felt that she was lost with all on board.

RECEIPTS of bituminous coal at Pittsburgh, Pa., for the year 1883 will be about 1,400,000 tons, a falling off of 100,000 tons from last year's receipts. Shipments show a decided increase.

AN early adjustment of differences between the window-glass manufacturers and blowers at Pittsburgh, Pa., is not expected. It is probable the factories will not resume this year.

THE Toronto (Ont.) people continue to protest against the influx of pauper immigrants. They want the British Government to refund what it will cost Canada to take care of these people.

THE French brig *Vocaberg* is reported to have sunk October 20 in consequence of a collision. Eighty-eight lives were lost. The American ship *Thomas Dana* landed twenty-one survivors at Fayal.

A PENNSYLVANIA manufacturer, who neglected to put up a fire escape when notified, has been mulcted for \$10,000 damages by an employee who was crippled in escaping from his burning factory.

ANDY TAYLOR, the last of the three notorious Tennessee desperado brothers, who killed two sheriffs, was hanged at London, Tenn., on the 23d. He made a desperate effort to murder another sheriff on the 22d.

THE verdict of the Coroner's Jury on the Wisconsin State-house disaster holds Contractor Nowlan responsible for gross negligence, and Architects Jones and Koch for designing the interior without due regard to safety during construction.

ADMIRAL PORTER'S annual report criticizes the new cruisers lately contracted for, and recommends the construction of swift ships with heavy guns and good going qualities under sail. Also, he recommends increased attention to lake defenses.

THE storm on the 21st was exceedingly severe over a wide area of country. Railroad washouts were numerous and telegraph service was impeded. At Piedmont, Mo., two women and three children were drowned and much property destroyed. At Fredericktown, Mo., the freshest was the highest known in seventy years. Serious damage is reported from many towns. At Indianapolis it is estimated at \$250,000.

A CONVENTION of the heirs of Waldron, Thomas, Delavill and others, to whom Governor Nichols, in the year 1866, granted a large tract of land, which is now known as Morrisiana Flats, in New York City, was held in Mansfield, O., on the 23d and attended by about 100 persons. A syndicate has been formed and the heirs are confident that they can prove their title to this land, which embraces 1,000 acres, and is worth \$300,000,000.

COMMANDER WILDES, of the Yantic, testified before the Court of Inquiry on the 19th that aside from the wooden sheathing the Yantic was equipped for a polar voyage the same as she would have been for a trip to the West Indies. The failure of the expedition witness thought due to the following causes: Manning the Proteus with an inefficient captain and crew of "beach combers" and "long shoremans" and neglect of those by whose orders the expedition was fitted out to acquaint themselves with the business in hand before dispatching the vessels north. His ship had been cruising in the West Indian waters and he only received orders to go north three days before sailing.

#### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

THE speech from the throne was coldly received in the Prussian Chamber of Deputies on the 20th, and the financial measures brought forward are severely criticized.

THE total cases at Brewton, Ala., during the yellow fever epidemic was seventy-five; deaths twenty-eight.

GENERAL AUGUSTUS C. DODGE, formerly United States Senator and Minister to Spain eight years, died in Burlington, Ia., the afternoon of the 20th, after an illness of four days. He was seventy years of age.

It is feared the steamer Manistee has been lost on Lake Superior with all on board.

A PARIS dispatch of the 20th stated that the breaking out of war with China was apparently only the question of a few hours.

COMMODORE JOHN M. BERRIEN, retired officer of the United States Navy, died on the 21st at Philadelphia, Pa., from paralysis.

ALL injunctions against the issue of the Northern Pacific Railway second mortgage have been dissolved.

THE latest Chinese proposals on the Tonquin question are not acceptable to the French.

THE Mississippi Valley Bank at Vicksburg, Miss., has closed its doors.

THE Crown Prince of Germany will not visit the King of Portugal.

COMMODORE KOUNTZ, proprietor of the Allegheny (Pa.) *Mail*, was on the 21st found guilty of criminal libel.

THE Canadians now propose to send back undesirable immigrants to the places from which they came.

THE Korean Embassy are reported short of funds, and trying to borrow \$100,000 from the United States Treasury.

THE French fleet will make a demonstration on the Chinese coast during the advance on Bac Ninh.

THREE firemen were injured by the fall of a roof at the burning of Stickney & Poor's spice mills, Boston, on the 21st.

THEODORE THOMAS has received a cablegram from Vienna confirming contracts with Frederick Watterna, Hermann Winkelmann and Emil Scaria for fifty representations of Wagner's music in America. Their first performance will be in Boston in April.

THE Government suits against Starro & Contractor Funk, of Philadelphia, have been compromised for \$928.

H. C. FRICK & Co. have bought the Coke-works property at Mount Pleasant, Pa., for \$800,000.

FOUR men made an effort to rob Dougherty's jewelry store at Camden, N. J., on the 21st, just as the proprietor was closing up. The attempt failed and one man was captured.

EDWARD PAYNE, cashier of the Rushville (Ind.) National Bank, was shot through the lung by a burglar in his own house the morning of the 21st.

GEORGE DARRELL and Godfrey Brand were arrested at Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 21st for attempting to wreck a passenger train on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Road.

A SPANISH republican society has issued an address threatening revolution if universal suffrage is not granted.

THE Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia and the West Shore roads are to form part of a new trunk line to Chicago.

OBID HUEY, Captain of the bark Florence, is held under bail in Boston, Mass., on a charge of fatally beating the vessel's steward, John Dibbold.

JOHN A. LIHE, a wealthy farmer living near Vincennes, Ind., is reported as having eloped with a Mrs. William Antler. He leaves a family and is supposed to have gone West.

Two freight trains collided at Columbia, Pa., on the morning of the 21st. David Mower, a brakeman, was fatally injured and an engine, a caboose and seven cars were wrecked.

On the 21st the National Cotton Growers' Convention assembled at Vicksburg, Miss. The delegates were formally welcomed by Governor Lowery; ex-Chief Justice Simrall of the Supreme Court welcomed them on behalf of the City of Vicksburg; Colonel F. C. Morehead delivered the annual address, and the venerable ex-Governor M. Patton, of Alabama, responded on behalf of the Convention to Governor Lowery's address. There were about 500 delegates present.

THE German Crown Prince has landed at Valencia.

A CAVE 700 yards long occurred on the 22d at the Logan colliery, Ashland, Pa.

THE new Importers' and Grocers' Exchange in New York opened on the 23d. The woollen and cotton mills at New Albany, Ind., were partially burned on the 22d; loss \$100,000.

HORATIO G. BILLINGS, lumber dealer, Chicago, has suspended; liabilities \$100,000.

THE Northwestern Land Company will only buy 2,500,000 acres of Canadian Pacific lands.

SECRETARY CHANDLER testified on the 22d in the Proteus investigation. General Hazen was recalled and outlined the testimony he wished to produce in his own behalf.

At Ashland, Pa., on the 22d John Steinhilber killed Thomas Kerns, a boy of seventeen. He was hustled into jail just in time to escape lynching.

THE news of the utter rout of the army of Hicks Pasha by the False Prophet in the Sudan is confirmed.

THE League Base Ball Association has abolished all restrictions on delivery in pitching.

CAPTAIN McKIBBEN of the Fifteenth Infantry is to be court-martialed for duplicating pay accounts.

THE police and military were called out to suppress an anti-German demonstration at Prague on the 22d.

THE Italian brigands who some weeks ago captured the Duke of Castelmonte obtained \$30,000 ransom money.

SHARPLES SONS & Co., Quebec lumbermen, have asked for an extension. Liabilities, \$700,000.

A NEW process for the manufacture of Bessemer steel was begun at Homestead, Pa., on the 22d.

AN open switch caused a collision on the Alabama Great Southern Road the morning of the 22d. Several persons were killed.

EXTENSIVE forest fires were reported near Huntington, Pa., on the 23d.

SURGEON ROBERT MURRAY has been appointed Surgeon-General of the Army.

THE Province of Yun Nan, China, is organizing a force for home defense.

THE Haytian steamer *Dessalines* has destroyed a war-ship of the revolutionists. The London police arrested a Socialist on the 23d and found two infernal machines in his house.

BOSTON bank Presidents have held a meeting and decided that they want a bankrupt law passed.

THE Crown Prince of Germany arrived in Madrid on the 23d and was given an exceedingly cordial reception by all classes of the populace. The city was in holiday attire, the buildings, both public and private, being profusely decorated with Spanish and German flags and flowers.

A FRENCHMAN named Soulier is said to have organized the forces of the False Prophet in the Sudan.

J. PHIPPS, a condemned murderer, escaped on the 23d from the jail at Sandwich, Canada.

THE British Mediterranean squadron has been ordered to support Egyptian interests on the Red Sea.

ANOTHER Liverpool cotton firm has succumbed in consequence of the Morris Ranger failure.

THE Egyptian Government wants to send a strong force to open communication with Khartoum.

A MAN and his wife were found murdered in bed at Hickman, Ky., on the morning of the 23d. Robbery was the motive.

NINE Salvation Army constables have been sworn in at Kingston, Canada, to preserve order at the army meetings.

A NUMBER of inmates of the Indianapolis Blind Asylum were slightly poisoned recently by some unwholesome food.

THE Chinese Ambassador at Paris has informed the British Foreign Secretary that war between France and China is unavoidable.

POLITICAL prisoners in Siberia are represented as going mad and committing suicide on account of the treatment they receive.

THE business failures for the seven days ending the 23d throughout the United States and Canada, numbered 247, against 235 for the previous week.

At Philadelphia, an express train on the Pennsylvania Railroad on the night of the 23d struck a wagon, killed Mrs. Christina Frey, aged fifty-two years, her son William, aged twenty-four, and fatally injured William Frey, Sr.

A HUNDRED sacks of mail was reported undistributed at Portland, Ore., on the 23d. There is a complaint of mismanagement in the postal service over the Northern Pacific.

A. B. JOHNSON, the Utica (N. Y.) lawyer, turns out to have been a defaulter for \$300,000, to the McDonnell estate of Rochester, N. Y., of which he had entire charge.

ANDY TAYLOR was hanged on the 23d at London, Tenn. It was the first private execution in the State, the gallows being hidden by screens.

THE recent massacre in the Sudan has the immediate effect to call in question the propriety of the proposed withdrawal of British troops from Egypt.

THERE were 262 National Banks organized in the year ended Nov. 1; the total number in operation, 2,322. Charters of 976 banks expire in the next two years.

ALL members of the Canadian Civil Service have been called upon to take the oath of allegiance, the attention of the Government having been drawn to the fact that several members had recorded their nationality as that of the United States, while in other cases they have reason to believe an element hostile to British interests is being introduced in some of the recent appointments.

#### CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

A HONG KONG dispatch stated that three thousand Chinese attacked Haid Zung on the 17th. The French garrison, supported by gunboats, maintained its position. The engagement lasted from nine in the morning until four in the afternoon. The Chinese retreated. The loss of the French land force was twelve killed and wounded.

SECRETARY FREILINGHUYSEN has cabled the commander of the Asiatic fleet instructions about the course to be pursued for the protection of American interests in the case of war between France and China.

A. J. LEO, a member of the Texas Legislature, died recently at Hidalgo from the effects of a poisonous fly-bite in the face.

ONE hundred members of the Chicago Commercial Club joined in giving a banquet to General Sheridan, the other evening, at the Calumet Club room in Chicago.

WHILE Charles Keuffle and his clerk, who kept a country store in Lee County, Tex., were recently preparing to leave the store, a man entered, caught Keuffle by the shoulders and demanded money. Keuffle went to the drawer and was unlocking it when the robber shot him through the head, killing him instantly. The robber told the clerk to pull the drawer out. As the clerk was complying he received a bullet in the brain and dropped dead. The drawer contained only fifteen dollars. Mrs. Keuffle and five children remained in the building till morning, too terrified to give an alarm.

ABOUT four o'clock on the afternoon of the 24th as the east-bound Southern Pacific passenger train was about four miles east of Gage Station and thirteen miles west of Deming, N. M., it was stopped by a party of seven cow boys, who opened fire on the train. About twenty shots were fired, and Webster, the engineer killed. The robbers took out a plate and spread the rails, throwing the engine, mail car, one coach and the front end of the sleeper off. After the wreck the robbers secured about seven hundred dollars from the express car and escaped.

THE post-office at Pottsville, Pa., was recently entered by robbers, who blew open the safe and stole five thousand dollars.

REV. J. WILDER (colored), of Pittsburgh, has prepared papers in a suit for conspiracy and defamation of character against Revs. Drs. Willigan, Sloan and Wilson, ministers of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, asking \$150,000 damages and alleging that the defendants, by conspiring, declared him a monomaniac and injured his reputation so that he could not pursue his profession and gain a living.

REV. WILLIAM MITCHELL, newly installed pastor of the Westboro (Mass.) Congregational Church, was arrested the other morning on the charge of stealing books. It is stated that when he was arrested he offered one thousand dollars to keep the matter quiet.

#### KANSAS STATE NEWS.

EX-GOVERNOR CRAWFORD recently filed with the Commissioner of the General Land Office, an extensive additional brief in the matter of the restoration to the public domain of the lands charged as having been wrongfully withdrawn in Kansas for the benefit of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road. This additional brief was interposed by consent of Commissioner McFarland, and became necessary in view of the re-examination into the grant by the authorities of the General Land Office.

AS ONE of the results of the late railroad conference at Topeka, the Railroad Commissioners recently received a telegram from L. A. Emerson, General Freight Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroads at Atchison, that General Manager Hoxie had accepted the schedule of freight rates for the Central Branch line, agreed upon in their conference. This Board puts down as the first victory because the rates to be adopted now were dictated from the terms set forth in their celebrated Beloit decision. By it a reduction of ten per cent. is made on first class goods between local points while as to the distance tariff the reduction is considerably greater.

Mrs. L. H. IRWIN, a guest of the Atlantic House, at Atchison, recently packed her valuables, including diamond earrings, gold chains and rings in a small valise, the value being \$250, and went to supper. When she returned she discovered that it had been rifled. Officers at once began a search, and found that the window of her room leading to a shed had been opened by a piece of fresh cut kindling wood. This led to the arrest of George Harris, the chore boy, who had been seen with wood corresponding to this piece. He implicated William Linn, the hotel runner, who was also arrested. Linn had in his possession loaded dice and counterfeit money in denominations of fifty and one hundred dollar bills. In his room were found a slung-shot, glass cutter and other tools for burglary and possibly murder. It was thought they were the parties who recently fired the hotel. They were locked up.

THE Kansas Academy of Science met in its sixteenth annual session at Topeka the 21st. The President, Dr. A. H. Thompson, delivered his annual address upon "The Origin and History of the Academy." The session continued three days. The dues were changed from one dollar to two dollars per annum, and a new clause was incorporated in the constitution providing that it shall require a two-thirds vote to admit new members. This step was taken, it was said, "to prevent disreputable characters, quack doctors, and men who desire to use the influence of the Academy for their own personal advantage from becoming members of the Society." The museum, now so small and insignificant, is to be enlarged, extended, overhauled and re-arranged and placed in shape. Proceedings of the Academy's meetings are to be published oftener than once in every two years, and when a member of the Society writes up some discovery he has made the document must be gotten into print without delay. The following officers were elected: President, R. J. Brown, Leavenworth; Vice Presidents, F. H. Snow and Joseph Savage, Lawrence; Secretary, A. E. Pospendo, Manhattan; Treasurer, A. H. Thompson, Topeka; Curators, O. H. St. Johns, Topeka; J. T. Lovewell, Topeka; J. H. Caruth, Lawrence.

A BOX of stockings and mittens recently reached the Wichita post-office, "for mamma and papa and the babies," without a scratch of the pen to indicate who they were for, or who sent them. The post-master, who is also an editor, wrote: "Some kind-hearted grandmother, no doubt, put in the summer in this labor of love, for they are all knit with great taste and care, and it worries us that they should have failed to reach the loved ones. To consign them to the dead letter office, where tons of such love tokens are ever being poured, seems too bad."

THE prisoners confined in jail at Eldorado attacked Deputy Sheriff Schran on the evening when he went into the jail to give them their supper. They secured his revolver and three escaped, two, however, were captured before they got out of town and the other, a horse thief, was subsequently captured at Douglass.

WILLIAM COLGATE, a son of the great millionaire soap manufacturer of New York, was sent to the penitentiary from Cowley County last spring for a term of three years on the charge of arson. The case has been appealed to the Supreme Court, and the papers were filed the other day, there being eleven hundred pages of manuscript testimony.

MISS JENNIE SLAYERS, formerly a teacher in the Blind Institute, but latterly a teacher in the public schools of Wyandotte, while returning from church recently, was thrown from her buggy and received injuries which resulted in her death a few days afterward.

A TRAIN of freight cars on the Missouri Pacific road, ran into a herd of cattle just south of the State line, in the Indian Territory, a few days since, ditching the engine and ten cars. The engines were a total wreck.

WHEN the saloon-keepers' cases were called in the District Court of Shawnee County, at Topeka, the other day, it was discovered that the various defendants had gone on an extended piscatorial excursion, and their bonds were forfeited. Warrants were issued for their arrest, and it was said when they returned they would be placed under heavy bonds for appearance at the January term.

CHARLES LEOPARD, a German, was found at Topeka, the other morning, lying in an alley insensible and severely pounded about the head and face. He had evidently been slugged and robbed.

HON. JAMES MARTIN, Chairman of the State Board of Charitable Institutions, had a tumor removed from his left leg recently, that weighed three pounds. The operation was performed at the Topeka Insane Asylum.

KANSAS adopts the new time.

Mrs. FRANK MUMMA, of Sedgewick County, met with a frightful accident recently, which, it was thought, would cause her death. She was ironing near the stove when her clothing took fire and almost enveloped her whole body in flames. Instantly a neighbor woman present attempted to smother the fire with a bed quilt which set the bedding on fire and severely burned a baby. Notwithstanding all the clothing on Mrs. Mumma's person was burned off from the waist downward, and her limbs and part of her body being in a crisp, she helped to pump fifteen pails of water to put out the fire before succumbing.

ALEXANDER FOX, of Armourdale, was recently badly injured by the falling of a scaffold upon which he was at work.

#### A COLD-BLOODED CRIME.

The Mysterious Assassination of a Toy County (Mo.) Farmer—The Dead Man's Nephew is Charged with the Deed—A Lynching in Prospect.

RICHMOND, Mo., Nov. 22.  
Monday night the family of Jeff Evisizer, a well-to-do farmer in the Mud Creek neighborhood, were aroused about half an hour after they had gone to bed by somebody calling. It was the voice of a man, but was not recognized. Mrs. Evisizer responded by asking what was wanted. The voice replied: "I want to see Jeff." "Who is it?" the woman asked. "Johnnie Evisizer" (a younger brother of Jeff), was the answer. After venting her mind on the impropriety of calling folks up at that time of night, she told her husband to go to the door and see what Johnnie wanted. Evisizer got up and opened the door, and stood several seconds peering into the darkness. The voice did not speak, neither did Evisizer. A brief period passed—perhaps a quarter of a minute—then a shot was fired, and the farmer walked to the bed and lay down. He had received his death wound, but lingered until morning. The bullet penetrated the bowels.

In intervals of consciousness the dying man told his wife that he could not recognize who was standing in front of the door until the pistol was fired, and then he saw distinctly that it was Willie Miller, his nephew. He said that Miller was scarcely three feet away when he fired. Evisizer repeated these several times. A posse was formed and armed, and a visit made to the house of Thomas Miller, the father of Willie Miller. The elder Miller is one of the wealthiest men in that part of the county, having a farm of 400 acres, well improved and stocked. He met the neighbors without any show of feeling, and told them that his son had gone away Tuesday morning, and he would not come back for several days. The Mud Creek locality is twenty miles from here, and remote from the telegraph and the railroad. The roads are bad and news travels slowly. It was not till this morning that full details of the tragedy reached Richmond. The Miller and Evisizer families are related. Thomas Miller married a sister of Jeff Evisizer, and Willie Miller is one of the children. The families are mixed up in a curious case now in court, and this is supposed by those who believe Willie guilty to have furnished the motive for Mr. Evisizer's removal.

Miller was arrested here this morning, whether he had come to be prosecuted in the trial of his father which was to have been held to-day on the pending charge. He rode somewhat jaded horse, but upon being questioned gave a reasonable account of his movements, though acting strangely indifferent with regard to the news of the murder. Later the elder Miller appeared, whereupon his bondsman surrendered him and he was hurried before the grand jury, and notwithstanding he is reputed a wealthy man, such was the feeling caused by the tragedy and the supposed connection of the Millers with it that no one could be found to again go on his bond, and he remained in custody of the Sheriff. The feeling among the community is intense and the slightest particle of corroborative evidence against the younger Miller may result in a session of Judge Lynch's Court, in which case it is not difficult to predict the result.

#### A MICHIGAN MURDER.

An Aged Farmer, His Daughter, Son-in-Law and a Texas Visitor Chloroformed and Murdered in Their Beds Near Jackson, Michigan—A Large Sum of Money Known to be in the House the Probable Incentive—A Negro Under Arrest on Suspicion.

JACKSON, MICH., Nov. 22.  
This morning four persons, Jacob D. Crouch, aged seventy-four, widower; Harry White, aged thirty-eight, son-in-law of Crouch; Eunice White, aged thirty-three, daughter of Crouch, all of Summit Township, Jackson County, and Moses Polley, aged twenty-six, of Transfer, Mercer County, Pa., were found murdered in their beds, all having been shot through the head behind the ear, and are supposed to have been chloroformed first, as no signs of a struggle appeared. Each victim was lying as if asleep, and the odor of chloroform was noticeable when they were discovered. Mrs. White was also shot through the left arm. No clew has as yet been discovered, although tracks around the house indicate a guard was placed while the murder was being perpetrated. Crouch was a wealthy farmer, living seven miles southwest of Jackson, and owner of an extensive sheep ranch in Texas. It is rumored that he had just received about \$20,000 from Texas in payment of sales made on the ranch. Bankers here state that no money was deposited by Crouch, and it is presumed the money was in Crouch's hands. Polley was stopping at Crouch's, having just come from Texas with a large amount of money for the purpose of buying blooded stock. The theory is that he (Polley) was followed from Texas by the murderer or murderers for the purpose of robbery.

Crouch slept in an alcove opening into a sitting-room, near the front part of the house. His daughter and her husband occupied the front bed-room, while in another bed-room, opening also into the parlor, lay the remains of Polley. Crouch was lying with his face to the wall and had a bullet-hole in the left side of the head, two inches back of the ear, the ball passing through the brain. Death was instantaneous. White was shot twice, one ball entering the right side of the neck three inches below the ear, severing an artery, the second ball entering the temple, near the right eye. He was discovered lying on his back, as if peacefully sleeping. His wife was shot five times, and made a hard struggle for life, as judged by the position of her arms and the disorder of her clothing. Two balls passed through the right arm, one through the left, one in the right breast into the lungs, one through the chest and neck, and another in the left wrist. Polley was shot twice, one bullet entering the opening of the right ear directly into the brain, the second passing through the chest from the right side. There were no indications of a struggle. The Sheriff believes the shots were fired by one person and one revolver, as a number of empty cartridges found on the floor all show the same caliber. There will be heard rumors regarding the use of chloroform. Physicians claim none was used, but the theory of one person doing the butchery, and the testimony of the first neighbors at the scene, who claim that the odor of chloroform on entering the house was suffocating. The young negro Boles has been arrested and jailed to await the result of the coroner's inquest, which will be held to-morrow. Crouch was worth \$2,000,000. He had property in Jackson County and sheep ranches in Texas, near Fort Worth. He leaves two sons and one daughter. A pocket-book containing \$105 and a certificate of deposit for \$500 was found on the window sill of White's room. An empty cartridge-box, 32-calibre, was found in the negro Boles' room.

#### Execution of a Wife Murderer.

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 22.  
John Chisholm, for the murder of his wife, was hanged in the Essex County Jail at 10:16 o'clock this morning. When the Sheriff announced in his cell that the hour of execution had come, Chisholm declined to hear the death-warrant read, stating that he wanted to be prayed for. He walked firmly to the gallows, holding a crucifix, and attended by Fathers Toomey and Connolly. At 10:16 the trap was sprung, and at 10:32 Chisholm was pronounced dead from strangulation. Only thirty-six persons were present. The body was delivered to his relatives, who gave bond that the funeral should be private.

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